

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY

MAY, 1966

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AUSTRALIAN DECIMAL CURRENCY

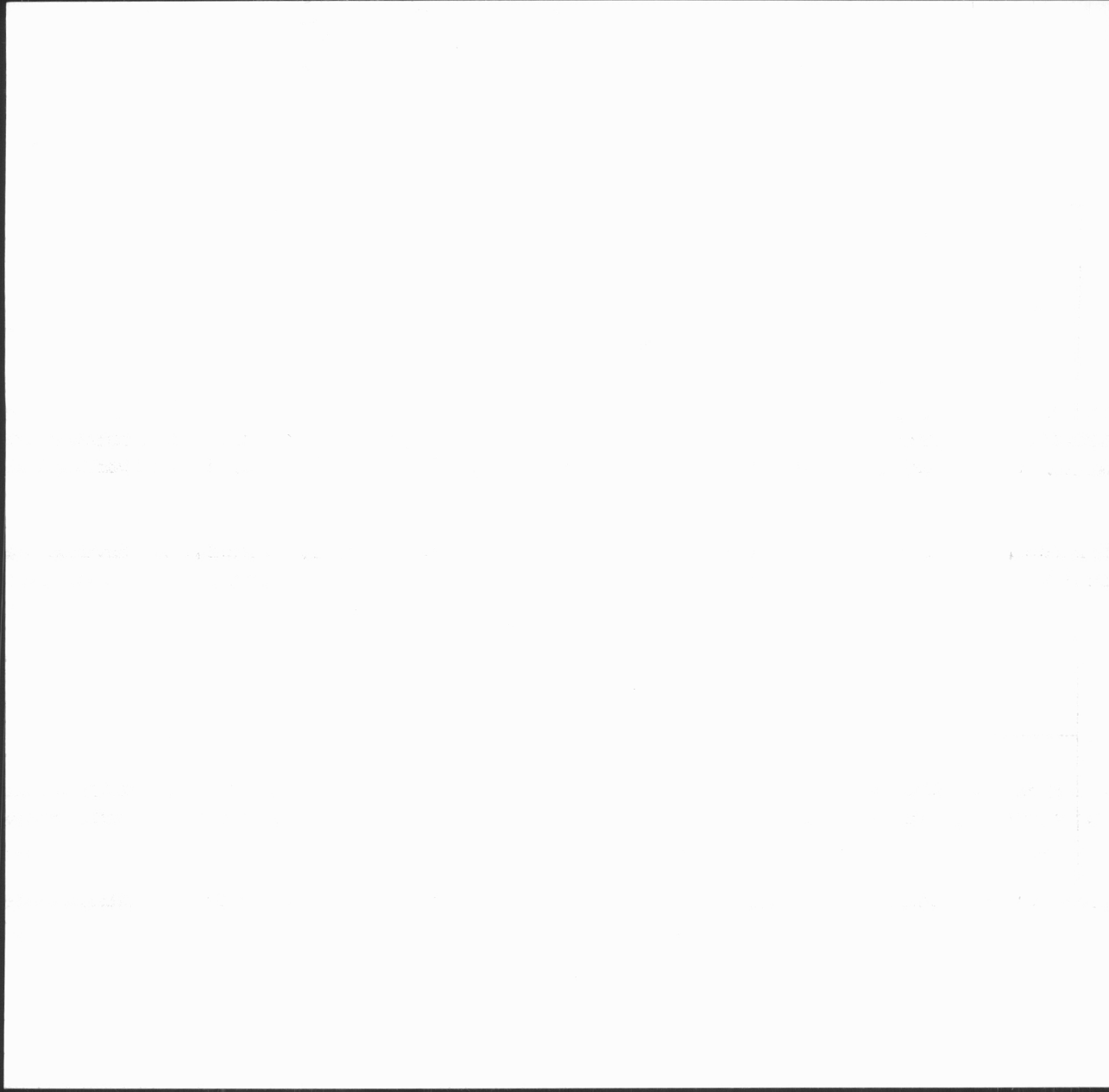
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1 pound	=	2 dollars (\$2)
1 shilling	=	10 cents (10c)
1 penny	=	5/6ths of a cent (5/6c)

In this issue of the Monthly Statistical Summary, monetary amounts have been converted to the equivalent amounts in the new system.

The Australian dollar (\$) is equivalent in value to eight shillings sterling or \$US 1.12.



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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State: at 31st December, 1965

Metropolitan: at 31st December, 1965

Males - 415,731 Females - 404,332 Persons - 820,063

Persons - 478,000

BIRTHS, DEATHS AND MARRIAGES

Particulars	Quarter ended DECEMBER -				Twelve Months ended DECEMBER -			
	1965		1964		1965		1964	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Births	4,064	19.93	4,415	22.17	16,186	20.08	16,685	21.11
Deaths	1,508	7.40	1,734	8.71	6,274	7.78	6,429	8.14
Marriages	1,664	8.16	1,691	8.49	6,448	8.00	6,023	7.62
Infant Mortality (b)	86	21.16	88	19.93	352	21.75	328	19.66

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births. (b) Deaths under one year.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND

Item	Three Months ended		Nine Months ended	
	31st March -		31st March -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue - Total	50,124,606	42,005,631	149,071,958	127,543,638
Per Head of Population	61.0	52.5	183.5	160.4
Expenditure - Total	47,279,084	42,390,201	150,686,168	133,275,560
Per Head of Population	57.6	53.0	185.5	167.6

SALES OF GOODS AND SALES TAX COLLECTED

Item	Period of Receipt of Return			
	MARCH -		Nine Months ended MARCH -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Sales Exempt from Tax	44,285	38,626	364,606	304,494
Net Taxable Sales	13,666	12,111	123,391	108,913
Tax Collected	1,930	1,634	16,834	14,614

TRADING BANKS

Year	Average Weekly Clearings (\$ million)											
	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1964	67.2	66.7	70.2	66.4	67.8	65.6	67.1	66.1	64.0	72.3	72.0	77.0
1965	76.5	78.3	77.0	75.6	78.6	78.7	74.1	73.9	71.0	85.2	82.7	88.1
1966	99.9	88.5	89.5	83.3								

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances	At the end of MARCH -		
	1966	1965	1964
	\$	\$	\$
Total	283,588,000	255,807,736	231,829,076
Per Head of Population	344.6	319.5	294.9

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Nine Months ended MARCH -					
	1966			1965		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
Sequestration Orders	145	\$ 525,412	\$ 118,320	168	\$ 724,936	\$ 150,630
Compositions and Assignments without Sequestration	52	2,216,835	2,047,102	54	539,344	243,354

COMPANIES REGISTERED

Type of Company		MARCH -		Nine Months ended MARCH -	
		1966	1965	1966	1965
Local	No.	41	54	425	353
Nominal Capital	\$'000	2,224	3,667	26,841	42,866
Foreign	No.	13	15	176	171

CROWN LAND TRANSACTIONS

Type of Transaction	MARCH -		Three Months ended MARCH -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
	acres	acres	acres	acres
Land Conditionally Alienated	57,689	101,383	141,487	231,089
Pastoral, Special and Miscellaneous Leases Issued by Lands Department	183,302	20,599	484,744	421,605

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Titles		MARCH -		Nine Months ended MARCH -	
		1966	1965	1966	1965
Transfers	No.	2,654	2,999	20,905	23,742
	\$	19,541,408	22,597,314	133,039,086	139,496,458
Mortgages	No.	2,018	2,169	16,143	17,400
	\$	13,748,692	15,382,128	99,729,639	101,648,392
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	1,665	1,748	12,898	13,288

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS OPERATIONS

Item	FEBRUARY		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Gross Earnings	3,951,700	3,166,800	26,696,300	22,419,200
Operating Expenses	2,957,678	2,620,348	23,214,884	21,781,534
Revenue Train Miles	660,842	623,675	5,188,735	4,760,753
Passengers Carried (a) -				
Train	1,199,453(b)	991,446	6,391,485(c)	6,983,738
Omnibus	33,050(b)	21,030	167,253(c)	175,928
Tonnage Carried -				
Paying Traffic:				
Goods	839,062(b)	502,675	3,315,082(c)	3,001,674
Livestock	9,200(b)	6,479	72,458(c)	73,253
Departmental Traffic	39,479(b)	32,376	302,091(c)	332,237
Total	887,741(b)	541,530	3,689,631(c)	3,407,164
Net Ton Mileage -				
Paying Traffic:				
Goods	130,253,820(b)	78,269,095	532,628,561(c)	478,181,008
Livestock	1,429,061	987,262	13,714,300(c)	12,245,276
Departmental Traffic	4,117,420(b)	4,402,296	30,897,436(c)	32,323,492
Total	135,800,301(b)	83,658,653	577,240,297(c)	522,749,776

(a) Based on ticket sales, making allowance for periodical tickets. (b) Six weeks ended 13th February, 1966. (c) See note (b).

EXTERNAL TRADE

(£'000)

Period	IMPORTS			EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)		
	Oversea	Interstate	Total	Oversea	Interstate	Total
1960-61	110,531	245,474	356,005	319,077	90,461	409,538
1961-62	100,178	245,208	345,386	296,997	84,626	381,623
1962-63	112,640	313,711	426,351	254,727	91,636	346,363
1963-64	121,678	323,176	444,854	295,791	101,885	397,676
1964-65	153,541	343,317	496,858	251,291	120,750	372,041
Six Months ended December, 1964	65,706	127,608	193,314	111,539	45,386	156,925
1965	94,586	158,585	253,171	129,938	59,471	189,409

PRODUCTION OF GOLD(£) AND COAL

(As reported to the Department of Mines)

Item	FEBRUARY -		Two Months ended FEBRUARY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
GOLD -				
Quantity Fine oz.	50,586	52,394	99,742	116,951
Value (a)	1,580,813	1,637,301	3,116,928	3,654,724
Dividends reported by Gold-mining Companies	-	-	-	-
COAL -				
Quantity tons	92,057	78,412	134,879	121,458
Value	391,081	368,424	574,936	567,540

(£) Includes gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. (a) Excludes amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold, and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

ITEMS OF FACTORY PRODUCTION

Commodity (a)	Item	FEBRUARY-		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY -	
		1966	1965	1966	1965
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid Fuel	number	213	195	2,895	2,700
Bricks - Clay	'000	11,225	11,194	89,942	94,307
Fibrous Plaster - Sheets	'000 sq. yds.	143	129	1,082	1,019
" " - Acoustic Tiles	sq. yd.	2,869	3,648	18,027	22,826
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	(b)	3,540	(b)	27,008
Plaster of Paris	"	1,690	1,712	13,503	13,690
Paints and Enamels, Ready-mixed (excluding Water Paints)	gallon	47,415	48,584	381,118	362,142
Timber, Sawn (from Local Logs) (c)	'000 super. ft.	18,760	17,613	144,090	133,296
<u>Clothing</u>					
Pyjamas, Woven Fabric -					
Men's and Boys'	dozen	1,202	1,222	5,927	7,527
Shirts (all types) - Men's and Boys'	"	4,781	4,387	44,073	44,632
Suits - Men's and Youths' -					
2 and 3 piece	number	864	680	6,724	7,070
Trousers - Men's and Youths' -					
Sports	"	17,934	11,616	96,395	92,940
Work (including Jeans)	"	17,613	11,423	75,636	81,230
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (d)	pair	53,931	52,724	530,712	552,312
Slippers	"	5,223	9,894	73,470	70,785
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallons	983	697	6,521	5,040
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	55,542	44,706	343,877	261,103
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	752	587	6,356	6,022
Butter (e)	"	369	468	15,439	13,903
Cheese (e)	"	104	145	2,239	3,394
Flour - Plain (f)	ton (2,000 lb.)	11,313	10,263	82,979	98,258
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Bran	ton (2,000 lb.)	2,048	1,916	15,633	18,411
Electricity Generated	million kWh.	125	114	1,050	955
Gas (Town) Produced	million cub.ft.	97	97	977	973
Iron - Pig-iron	ton	4,443	3,386	25,844	31,781
Mattresses - Soft-filled (g)	number	4,326	2,775	49,587	40,254
Pollard	ton (2,000 lb.)	1,614	1,400	11,842	13,818
Sulphuric Acid	ton	34,413	28,458	251,579	210,381
Superphosphate	ton	91,498	79,323	674,602	558,625
Wool - Scoured	'000 lb.	2,230	2,067	19,065	16,705

(a) Includes quantities produced and used in own works. (b) Not available for publication. (c) Includes railway sleepers and plywood veneers in terms of super. feet. (d) Excludes sandshoes, rubber thongs and other footwear wholly of rubber. (e) Particulars from Dairy Products Equalization Committee Ltd. (f) Includes quantities used for making self-raising flour. (g) Including rubber, plastic foam and sponge.

TIMBER - LOGS SAWN (a)

'000 super. feet
(Hoppus measure)

Particulars	FEBRUARY -		Eight Months ended FEBRUARY -	
	1966	1965	1966	1965
Logs (a) -				
Hardwood	42,144	37,310	325,520	292,239
Pines	1,522	2,840	11,784	15,354
Total	43,665	40,150	337,304	307,593

(a) Local logs - including local logs used by plywood mills.

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED AND MEAT PRODUCED

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED (a)					
Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
February, 1966	21,981	1,469	158,410	52,953	15,077
1965	22,580	2,403	101,932	49,364	13,147
Eight Months ended February, 1966	203,580	13,618	1,094,495	628,678	132,000
1965	202,010	19,809	816,935	581,457	123,393
MEAT PRODUCED (Dressed Carcass Weight) (b) (Tons)					
Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pigmeat(c)
February, 1966	4,083	66	2,952	774	822
1965	4,151	116	1,927	729	708
Eight Months ended February, 1966	39,462	597	20,885	9,083	7,141
1965	27,628	876	15,793	8,425	6,701

(a) Excludes livestock slaughtered for boiling down and livestock slaughtered for human consumption but subsequently condemned. (b) Excludes offal. (c) Includes quantities used to produce bacon and ham.

WHOLE MILK: PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION (a)
(1000 gallons)

Period	Total Production	Quantity of Whole Milk used for -		
		Butter (b)	Cheese (b)	Other Purposes(c)
February, 1966	2,539	754	102	1,683
1965	2,810	959	149	1,702
Eight Months ended February, 1966	48,640	31,675	2,287	14,678
1965	46,216	28,450	3,346	14,420

(a) Preliminary estimates. (b) Factory production only. (c) Principally for household consumption. Includes milk used for production of farm butter and cheese.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Period	Accidents						Casualties			
	Non-casualty Accidents (a)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents (a)		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro- politan (b)	Whole State	Metro- politan (b)	Whole State	Metro- politan (b)	Whole State	Metro- politan (b)	Whole State	Metro- politan (b)	Whole State
1961	4,221	6,111	2,391	3,528	6,612	9,639	79	172	3,110	4,779
1962	4,482	6,556	2,586	3,685	7,068	10,241	83	177	3,425	5,077
1963	6,207	8,583	2,913	4,057	9,120	12,640	110	198	3,734	5,399
1964	7,658	10,283	2,859	4,062	10,517	14,345	88	222	3,761	5,450
1965	10,126	12,730	3,001	4,170	13,127	16,900	105	252	3,930	5,631
1965 -										
February	579	731	220	311	799	1,042	14	23	284	412
March	685	904	258	366	943	1,270	8	16	323	469
April	843	1,083	236	339	1,079	1,422	10	18	297	460
May	1,025	1,254	252	361	1,277	1,615	11	28	347	511
June	934	1,178	264	370	1,198	1,548	7	23	335	485
July	1,002	1,217	278	379	1,280	1,596	9	23	342	494
August	1,010	1,265	279	364	1,289	1,629	13	20	359	496
September	895	1,105	232	309	1,127	1,414	5	23	315	427
October	938	1,163	263	365	1,201	1,528	8	17	335	478
November	810	997	255	351	1,065	1,348	6	20	331	466
December	792	1,028	259	368	1,051	1,396	7	21	351	513
1966 -										
January	702	944	222	296	924	1,240	6	11	309	429
February	680	873	230	307	910	1,180	11	25	312	422

(a) Excludes non-casualty accidents where estimated damage was \$50 or less. (b) Metropolitan Traffic Area.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLES REGISTERED (a)

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State				
	Motor Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total	Motor Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total
1961	6,947	1,871	2,251	591	11,660	10,670	3,228	5,174	903	19,975
1962	11,161	3,220	2,883	651	17,915	16,670	5,151	6,142	898	28,861
1963	12,594	3,766	3,036	470	19,866	18,426	6,049	6,876	683	32,034
1964	11,602	3,675	3,194	369	18,840	17,128	5,982	7,042	568	30,720
1965	11,574	3,374	3,691	387	19,026	16,988	5,706	8,130	588	31,412
1965 -										
February	825	304	241	34	1,404	1,193	451	500	52	2,196
March	1,197	334	252	45	1,828	1,699	559	590	62	2,910
April	1,053	340	309	34	1,736	1,598	604	612	50	2,864
May	992	294	290	27	1,603	1,419	522	590	38	2,569
June	973	290	285	25	1,573	1,476	503	571	44	2,594
July	1,056	269	419	22	1,766	1,583	485	922	43	3,033
August	1,072	350	403	25	1,850	1,539	531	839	44	2,953
September	777	215	328	28	1,348	1,101	359	744	43	2,247
October	870	215	345	45	1,475	1,259	381	821	65	2,526
November	964	227	323	34	1,548	1,395	402	824	56	2,677
December	987	259	311	37	1,594	1,567	480	715	49	2,811
1966 -										
January	877	242	280	40	1,439	1,343	430	615	66	2,454
February	970	238	342	58	1,608	1,404	394	721	92	2,611
March	1,098	279	407	59	1,843	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)

(a) Commonwealth-owned vehicles (other than those of the defence services) listed with the Commonwealth Registry, Canberra are included with Whole State figures only. (b) Including motor scooters. (c) Not yet available.

MOTOR VEHICLES ON REGISTER (a)

Date (End of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State			
	Motor Cars and Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total	Motor Cars and Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks, Omnibuses	Motor Cycles (b)	Total
1955 -								
December (c)	60,210	22,743	8,830	91,783	95,032	61,161	13,012	169,205
1961 -								
June	92,370	26,575	8,771	127,716	141,612	70,974	12,589	225,175
December	96,600	27,139	8,751	132,490	147,696	72,289	12,450	232,435
1962 -								
June	101,850	27,598	8,732	138,180	155,447	74,224	12,390	242,061
December (c)	110,028	28,486	8,714	147,228	165,637	75,531	12,257	253,425
1963 -								
June	114,459	28,386	8,205	151,050	170,781	75,748	11,649	258,178
December	122,025	29,010	7,762	158,797	181,424	77,738	10,960	270,122
1964 -								
June	127,393	29,419	7,403	164,215	189,251	78,239	10,449	277,939
December	131,793	29,700	6,738	168,231	195,818	78,470	9,602	283,890
1965 -								
March	134,230	29,882	6,589	170,701	198,326	78,362	9,469	286,157
June	136,719	30,025	6,388	173,132	202,914	79,316	9,244	291,474
September	138,635	30,384	6,083	175,102	205,179	79,728	8,800	293,707
December	141,883	31,206	6,131	179,220	210,737	82,735	8,948 (d)	302,420

(a) Commonwealth-owned vehicles (other than those of the defence services) listed with the Commonwealth Registry, Canberra are included with Whole State figures only. At the 31st December 1965 there were 1,394 such vehicles comprising 144 motor cars, 175 station wagons, 353 utilities, 273 panel vans, 413 trucks, 19 omnibuses and 17 motor cycles. (b) Including motor scooters. (c) Census figures, 31st December. (d) Comprises 180,083 motor cars, 30,654 station wagons, 39,832 utilities, 10,297 panel vans, 30,960 trucks, 1,646 omnibuses (including 50 trolley-buses) and 8,948 motor cycles and motor scooters.

BUILDING PERMITS AND APPROVALS

Period	New Houses and Flats (Individual Living Units)				Other New Buildings			Grand Total, including Additions & Alterations		
	Private	Govt.	Total		Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1963-64	7,401	1,876	9,277	62,086	23,508	30,126	53,634	83,278	41,132	124,410
1964-65	7,230	2,135	9,365	69,686	41,884	20,388	62,272	107,296	34,578	141,874
1965 - March	605	121	726	5,540	7,160	1,842	9,002	12,794	2,714	15,508
April	494	165	659	5,008	2,574	2,394	4,968	7,134	3,692	10,826
May	639	270	909	6,562	3,436	758	4,194	9,288	2,352	11,640
June	723	248	971	9,056	9,710	2,436	12,146	17,968	4,104	22,072
July	511	170	681	4,992	1,802	4,320	6,122	6,776	5,358	12,134
August	582	230	812	5,910	1,592	2,754	4,346	7,000	4,234	11,234
September	548	206	754	5,564	1,906	2,636	4,542	6,816	3,996	10,812
October	623	166	789	5,762	2,480	1,584	4,064	8,006	2,634	10,640
November	600	160	760	5,818	2,364	1,092	3,456	7,962	2,208	10,170
December	507	191	698	5,098	1,318	872	2,190	5,846	2,098	7,944
1966 - January	405	127	532	3,906	1,689	1,557	3,246	5,223	2,379	7,602
February	494	61	555	4,362	2,586	510	3,096	7,278	1,001	8,279
March	904	146	1,050	9,514	3,336	1,179	4,515	12,878	2,163	15,041

BUILDING OPERATIONS

The figures in the two following tables cover the activities of building contractors who undertake the construction of new buildings; the building operations of Commonwealth, State, semi-government and local government authorities; and work performed by owner-builders.

NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	New Houses and Flats (Individual Living Units)				Other New Buildings(a)			Grand Total (a)		
	Private	Govt.	Total		Private	Govt.	Total	Private	Govt.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Year -										
1960-61	5,102	1,311	6,413	39,682	12,034	20,334	32,368	44,960	27,090	72,050
1961-62	4,919	1,428	6,347	40,812	15,176	12,084	27,260	42,988	25,084	68,072
1962-63	5,485	1,750	7,235	48,764	16,924	20,740	37,664	55,376	31,052	86,428
1963-64	6,551	2,020	8,571	57,370	16,602	18,896	35,498	62,718	30,150	92,868
1964-65	7,438	1,848	9,286	66,284	23,760	17,056	40,816	78,840	28,260	107,100
Quarter -										
1964 - December	2,184	362	2,546	17,998	5,440	3,370	8,810	21,054	5,754	26,808
1965 - March	1,833	526	2,359	16,738	6,440	6,578	13,018	20,090	9,666	29,756
June	1,695	494	2,189	16,622	5,362	3,546	8,908	18,876	6,654	25,530
September	1,639	549	2,188	16,604	7,568	4,548	12,116	20,598	8,122	28,720
December	1,713	486	2,199	16,312	10,830	4,816	15,646	24,186	7,772	31,958

(a) Additions valued at \$10,000 or over are treated as "new" buildings.

NEW HOUSES COMPLETED

(Includes Owner-built Houses)

Period	Material of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Cement, etc.		Wood or predominantly Wood		Fibro-cement or predominantly Fibro-cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value	No.	Value
		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
Year -										
1960-61	4,475	30,352	13	60	1,462	7,652	23	38	5,973	38,102
1961-62	4,486	30,946	79	724	1,427	7,640	90	160	6,082	39,470
1962-63	5,222	38,166	52	294	1,302	7,274	17	46	6,593	45,780
1963-64	5,739	42,716	34	162	1,463	8,818	40	78	7,276	51,774
1964-65	5,871	47,094	27	148	1,454	9,700	93	296	7,445	57,238
Quarter -										
1964 - December	1,477	12,132	6	24	487	3,128	19	52	1,989	15,336
1965 - March	1,465	11,642	2	12	345	2,368	49	156	1,861	14,178
June	1,564	12,776	6	64	303	2,132	9	40	1,887	15,012
September	1,361	11,103	4	34	396	2,946	15	60	1,776	14,148
December	1,439	11,950	6	28	382	2,460	10	30	1,837	14,468

AVERAGE PRICES OF FRUIT AND VEGETABLES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1965										1966		
		March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March
FRUIT		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	2.02	2.06	1.48	1.45	1.44	1.42	0.92	1.24	1.37	1.23	1.62	1.72	1.23
Oranges - Navel	bush.	-	-	3.32	2.88	2.68	2.91	3.27	3.53	-	-	-	-	-
- Val.	bush.	2.86	2.78	2.32	-	-	-	2.79	3.10	3.47	3.62	4.32	3.66	3.30
Bananas - Local	lb.	0.08	0.10	0.10	0.11	0.12	0.12	0.13	0.11	0.12	0.10	0.09	0.09	0.10
Apples - Gr.Smith	bush.	-	1.58	1.44	1.42	1.49	1.73	1.78	1.63	2.86	2.88	2.37	-	2.12
- Other	bush.	2.21	1.95	1.84	2.10	2.29	2.85	2.61	2.59	2.78	2.52	2.94	3.28	2.37
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	1.62	1.82	1.77	1.92	1.90	2.15	-	-	-	-	-	1.75	1.49
Apricots	bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.13	3.27	-	-
Nectarines	bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.93	2.40	3.25
Plums	bush.	2.31	2.79	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.77	2.22	1.74	2.94
Peaches	bush.	2.11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.22	2.78	1.66	2.03
Grapes (a)	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	1.71	1.63	1.70	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.96	2.19	1.73
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate	1.18	1.27	1.32	1.40	0.93	1.02	0.53	0.50	0.58	0.32	1.46	1.71	1.72
Cauliflowers	dozen	1.60	1.62	2.08	2.04	2.28	1.84	1.43	1.62	2.07	1.78	-	2.92	2.74
Lettuce	crate	1.08	1.20	1.62	1.25	1.14	1.28	1.03	2.04	1.22	1.17	1.29	1.98	1.46
Table Celery	doz. head	1.27	1.00	0.71	0.67	0.77	0.63	0.92	0.84	1.09	1.60	1.42	0.87	1.32
Beetroot (b)	dump bag (c)	1.48	0.95	0.94	1.22	1.85	2.47	2.72	2.71	2.11	1.29	1.15	1.46	2.13
Carrots (b)	dump bag (c)	1.20	1.22	1.42	1.52	1.52	1.50	1.28	0.91	1.29	0.82	0.98	1.12	1.19
Parsnips (b)	dump bag (c)	3.68	1.87	2.12	2.44	2.78	2.68	1.81	1.58	1.55	1.37	1.41	1.10	2.16
Turnips	dump bag (c)	1.78	0.84	1.39	1.18	2.47	1.94	0.46	0.47	0.81	0.97	0.97	0.78	0.71
Swedes (b)	dump bag (c)	2.91	2.76	2.85	2.62	3.64	3.32	2.13	1.28	1.34	2.52	2.86	3.04	2.35
Runner Beans	lb.	0.07	0.11	0.13	0.10	0.17	0.13	0.10	0.08	0.18	0.10	0.16	0.14	0.11
Peas	lb.	0.14	0.13	0.14	0.19	0.18	0.11	0.08	0.07	0.11	0.14	0.16	0.16	0.16
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	0.06	0.05	0.03	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.07	0.08	0.08	0.12	0.08
Pumpkin	bag	1.82	2.25	2.04	1.92	2.06	2.55	2.72	3.69	4.37	3.58	2.82	2.19	2.61
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	1.66	1.38	2.24	2.95	3.79	3.10	5.41	5.54	4.58	3.48	6.78	3.95	4.14
Onions (d)	ton	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	(e)	(e)	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00
Potatoes (f)	ton	75.50	80.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	110.00	90.00	90.00	90.00	90.00

(a) Prior to January, 1966 prices are calculated in terms of $\frac{3}{4}$ bushel case. (b) Prior to April, 1965 prices are calculated in terms of standard dump bag - unweighed. (c) Standard dump bag - unweighed. (d) Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants, delivered Metropolitan Area. (e) Onion Pool closed. (f) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants, F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

A price has not been shown where sales of a particular item were not sufficient for that month.

Item	1965										1966		
	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March
SHEEP	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Suckers	-	-	-	-	10.25	9.08	8.49	8.11	8.41	8.12	8.78	-	-
Lambs -													
In Wool	8.65	8.81	10.28	10.19	9.78	9.37	-	-	-	-	9.46	9.39	10.41
Shorn	7.87	-	-	8.83	9.05	6.98	7.66	7.14	6.88	6.88	7.78	7.70	8.72
Hoggets -													
In Wool	8.60	-	9.33	8.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shorn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7.29	-	-	-	-
Ewes -													
In Wool	6.01	6.52	7.18	7.38	7.64	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.52	7.04
Shorn	4.92	5.06	-	6.01	6.08	5.83	5.62	6.00	5.79	5.23	5.49	5.55	5.55
Wethers -													
In Wool	7.36	7.49	9.02	8.79	8.80	8.16	-	-	-	-	9.04	7.95	8.19
Shorn	5.92	6.08	6.61	7.12	6.68	6.68	6.46	6.71	6.19	6.05	6.69	6.72	6.64
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	82.08	94.55	98.68	91.09	93.72	87.45	86.23	84.28	85.22	79.24	78.12	79.00	91.72
Heifers	-	121.23	-	101.02	98.64	98.12	94.15	90.08	90.08	-	-	95.06	116.31
Cows	105.42	109.42	116.01	109.04	111.62	111.23	113.21	104.32	113.18	107.29	117.67	120.89	128.93
Steers	110.75	122.28	130.70	119.03	120.18	115.47	120.75	115.26	115.55	114.37	113.46	119.09	130.54
PIGS													
Slips	13.15	13.96	12.55	14.21	-	12.02	-	14.87	12.20	-	13.74	-	-
Porkers	21.55	21.86	23.10	23.47	22.83	22.70	23.02	23.50	23.89	22.27	22.82	24.61	24.81
Baconers	32.73	34.03	33.83	35.15	33.82	34.08	36.52	35.71	35.33	36.54	35.50	34.35	36.85

AVERAGE PRICES OF POULTRY PER LB. (LIVEMEIGHT) - SOLD AT THE METROPOLITAN MARKETS

Turkey Hens	-	0.26	0.28	0.28	0.30	0.30	0.33	-	0.32	0.35	-	-	0.29
" Cocks	-	0.29	0.28	0.28	0.29	0.30	0.33	0.34	0.33	0.36	-	-	-
Ducks	0.26	0.24	0.25	0.26	0.28	0.27	0.26	0.31	0.35	0.32	0.23	0.23	0.23
Drakes	0.25	0.24	0.26	0.27	0.22	0.28	0.28	0.32	0.31	0.33	0.22	0.24	0.24
Geese	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.27	-	-	0.27
Cockerels	0.23	0.25	0.26	0.26	0.23	0.24	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.27	-	-	0.25
Capons	0.24	-	-	0.28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hens	0.17	0.18	0.17	0.17	0.16	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.17	0.18	0.16	0.15	0.16

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Employees in Rural Industry and Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)
(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Total	Month	Males	Females	Total
1954 - June	141.2	43.2	184.4	1965 - February	169.8	61.2	231.0
1955 - June	144.5	45.1	189.6	March	170.0	62.3	232.2
1956 - June	144.7	46.3	191.0	April	170.9	62.6	233.5
1957 - June	143.3	46.1	189.4	May	171.2	62.6	233.8
1958 - June	143.1	47.3	190.4	June	171.5	62.9	234.4
1959 - June	144.9	48.4	193.3	July	172.2	63.2	235.4
1960 - June	147.5	50.4	197.9	August	173.3	63.5	236.8
1961 - June	148.5	51.2	199.7	September	174.1	64.3	238.4
1962 - June	154.7	53.4	208.1	October	174.6	64.9	239.5
1963 - June	159.4	55.5	214.9	November	175.9	65.6	241.5
1964 - June	164.3	58.5	222.9	December	177.6	65.0	242.6
1965 - June	171.5	62.9	234.4	1966 - January	178.5	64.8	243.3
				February	179.7	66.5	246.2

INDUSTRY GROUPS

Industry Group and Sub-group	February, 1965			February, 1966		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Forestry, Fishing and Trapping	1.4	-	1.4	1.4	⊖	1.5
Mining and Quarrying	6.9	0.2	7.1	7.1	0.3	7.3
Manufacturing	48.0	8.1	56.1	49.0	9.0	57.9
Electricity, Gas, Water, and Sanitary Services	5.3	0.3	5.6	5.4	0.3	5.7
Building and Construction	21.9	0.4	22.3	26.4	0.5	26.9
Transport and Storage -						
Road Transport and Storage	5.5	0.5	6.0	6.1	0.6	6.7
Shipping and Stevedoring	4.0	0.2	4.2	4.2	0.2	4.4
Rail and Air Transport	7.5	0.4	7.9	7.8	0.4	8.2
Total - Transport and Storage	17.0	1.1	18.1	18.1	1.3	19.4
Communication	5.7	1.2	6.8	5.7	1.2	7.0
Finance and Property -						
Banking	3.4	1.5	4.9	3.4	1.6	5.0
Other	3.0	2.2	5.2	3.1	2.4	5.6
Total - Finance and Property	6.4	3.7	10.1	6.5	4.0	10.5
Commerce -						
Retail Trade	17.0	13.2	30.2	17.1	14.5	31.5
Wholesale and Other Commerce	12.3	3.6	16.0	12.8	4.0	16.8
Total - Commerce	29.3	16.9	46.2	29.9	18.4	48.3
Public Authority Activities (not elsewhere included)	8.3	2.6	10.9	8.7	2.9	11.5
Other Industries -						
Health, Hospitals, etc.	3.4	10.5	13.9	3.6	11.0	14.6
Education	5.9	6.2	12.2	6.3	6.5	12.8
Other (b)	10.4	10.0	20.4	11.6	11.2	22.9
Total - Other Industries	19.7	26.7	46.5	21.5	28.7	50.2
TOTAL	169.8	61.2	231.0	179.7	66.5	246.2
Employees of:						
Private Employers	113.6	48.0	161.6	121.8	52.5	174.3
Government Authorities (c) -						
Commonwealth Government (d)	11.0	2.7	13.6	11.4	2.9	14.3
State Government (d)	40.7	10.0	50.7	41.8	10.5	52.3
Local Government	4.5	0.5	5.0	4.7	0.6	5.3
Total - Government Authorities (c) (d)	56.2	13.2	69.4	57.9	14.0	71.9
TOTAL	169.8	61.2	231.0	179.7	66.5	246.2

(a) Figures for current months are subject to revision. Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to thousands. (b) Comprises Law, Order and Public Safety; Religion and Social Welfare; Other Community and Business Services; Amusement, Sport and Recreation; and Hotels, Personal Service, etc. (excluding private domestic service).

(c) Includes employees of government bodies (Commonwealth, State, Local and semi-government) on services such as railways, road and air transport, shipping, banks, post office, education, broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories, hospitals and institutions, as well as administrative employees. (d) Includes semi-government bodies. ⊖ Less than 50 employees.

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES (a)

Period	Coal Mining	Manufacturing			Building and Construction	Transport		Other Industries	All Groups
		Engineering, Metals, etc.	Food, Drink, and Tobacco	Other		Stevedoring	Other		
Number									
Year -									
1961	2	2	2	-	3	12	1	-	22
1962	-	10	3	-	9	5	1	-	28
1963	1	4	-	-	9	10	3	1	28
1964	-	5	3	-	5	10	2	1	26
1965	1	8	1	3	6	11	-	3	33
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	1	1	-	2	2	2	-	8
1965 - March	-	2	-	-	2	5	-	2	11
June	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	-	6
September	-	4	-	2	-	2	-	1	9
December	-	1	1	-	4	1	-	-	7

Workers Involved (b)									
Year -									
1961	455	3,787	192	-	151	5,087	15	-	9,687
1962	-	2,993	150	-	1,842	3,326	52	-	8,363
1963	37	6,276	1,793	4,135	5,383	7,566	12,194	5,200	42,584
1964	-	497	146	-	636	2,507	2,094	285	6,165
1965	165	2,656	43	276	389	8,882	-	200	12,611
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	254	30	-	211	143	2,094	-	2,732
1965 - March	-	832	-	-	85	3,615	-	154	4,686
June	165	53	-	200	-	2,784	-	-	3,202
September	-	151	-	76	-	2,229	-	46	2,502
December	-	1,620	43	-	304	254	-	-	2,221

Working Days Lost									
Year -									
1961	5,025	532	343	-	992	16,326	15	-	23,233
1962	-	1,771	123	-	2,747	1,555	104	-	6,300
1963	42	4,564	1,061	2,583	5,917	4,336	9,431	4,035	31,969
1964	-	1,438	146	-	1,349	1,625	2,530	60	7,148
1965	514	2,042	26	120	925	6,202	-	191	10,020
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	220	30	-	196	61	2,530	-	3,037
1965 - March	-	493	-	-	281	2,374	-	122	3,270
June	514	53	-	75	-	1,795	-	-	2,437
September	-	929	-	45	-	2,020	-	69	3,063
December	-	567	26	-	644	13	-	-	1,250

Estimated Loss in Wages (c) (\$'000)									
Year -									
1961	40.4	3.6	5.2	-	9.2	130.6	0.2	-	189.2
1962	-	14.0	1.0	-	21.8	13.2	-	-	50.0
1963	0.4	35.4	8.0	17.4	50.2	38.8	74.4	27.8	252.4
1964	-	10.8	1.2	-	12.0	15.4	23.2	-	62.6
1965	5.2	15.4	0.2	1.0	13.4	63.5	-	2.0	100.8
Quarter -									
1964 - December	-	1.4	0.2	-	1.6	0.6	23.2	-	27.0
1965 - March	-	4.6	-	-	2.8	24.2	-	1.4	33.0
June	5.2	0.6	-	0.6	-	18.4	-	-	24.6
September	-	6.0	-	0.4	-	21.0	-	0.6	27.8
December	-	4.4	0.2	-	10.7	0.1	-	-	15.4

(a) Refers only to disputes involving cessation of work for ten man-days or more. (b) Includes workers indirectly involved i.e. persons thrown out of work at the establishment where the stoppage occurred, but not themselves parties to the dispute. (c) Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to thousands.

UNEMPLOYMENT, SICKNESS AND SPECIAL BENEFITS

(Source: Department of Social Services)

Month	Persons receiving Benefits (a)			Amount paid in Benefits		
	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (b)	Un-employment	Sickness	Special (c)
				\$	\$	\$
1965 - March	1,231	845	103	55,706	47,106	4,414
April	1,160	831	106	43,162	38,584	3,660
May	1,069	818	99	38,260	42,658	3,350
June	1,137	817	99	43,574	42,534	3,746
July	1,203	853	107	50,900	37,332	4,146
August	968	866	116	48,672	43,362	4,648
September	709	792	113	32,338	40,234	3,762
October	610	761	110	26,754	37,790	4,174
November	607	760	111	21,782	34,268	3,796
December	765	679	107	26,190	45,298	3,978
1966 - January	867	692	93	31,152	28,420	3,896
February	712	687	106	29,138	39,585	3,564
March	620	762	102	28,384	41,278	3,986

(a) On the last Saturday of each month. (b) Includes migrants at reception and training centres awaiting their first placement in employment. (c) Includes amounts paid to migrants - see note (b).

BASIC WAGE RATES (c)

STATE (b)			COMMONWEALTH (c)		
Date of Operation	Males	Females	Date of Operation (d)	Males	Females
	\$	\$		\$	\$
1964 -			1958 -		
22nd September	30.80	23.10	21st May	26.10	19.55
26th October	31.12	23.34	1959 -		
1965 -			11th June	27.60	20.70
26th April	31.47	23.60	1961 -		
26th July	31.78	23.84	7th July	28.80	21.60
16th November	31.96	23.97	1964 -		
1966 -			19th June (e)	30.80	23.10
25th January	32.38	24.28			
2nd May	32.65	24.49			

(a) The amounts shown represent the basic weekly rate applicable to adult workers and relate generally to a week of 40 hours. The female rate is fixed at 75 per cent. of the male rate. (b) The rates shown apply uniformly throughout the State (c) Rates for Perth. (d) Operative from beginning of first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown. (e) These rates have not subsequently been varied.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : PERTH

(Base of each Index Series: Year 1952-53 = 100)

Period	Group Index Numbers					Com- bined Index (All Groups)
	Food	Clothing and Drapery	Housing	Household Supplies and Equipment	Miscell- aneous	
Year -						
1960-61	124.4	110.8	141.7	107.3	125.2	121.2
1961-62	123.5	111.7	146.4	107.3	125.3	121.6
1962-63	123.9	112.0	150.9	107.0	125.5	122.2
1963-64	125.4	112.8	155.9	105.2	128.5	123.8
1964-65	130.5	114.1	160.0	106.4	134.2	127.6
Quarter -						
1965 - March	130.1	114.3	160.4	106.6	136.0	128.0
June	133.3	114.7	161.5	106.9	136.2	129.3
September	134.4	114.7	162.9	107.9	136.4	130.0
December	133.9	115.0	165.5	108.0	142.8	131.7
1966 - March	135.8	115.4	166.5	107.9	144.6	132.8

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(\$ million)

Period	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food-stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits (a)	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Footwear	Hardware, China and Glassware (b)	Electrical Goods, and Musical Instruments	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chemists' Goods	News-papers, Books, Stationery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Vehicles, Parts, Petrol, etc.(d)
1960-61	62.0	25.7	45.0	40.6	54.9	9.8	9.4	29.6	15.0	14.0	9.4	30.7	346.1	122.1
1961-62	65.4	27.0	47.3	41.4	57.4	10.2	9.8	27.9	16.0	15.6	10.0	32.3	360.3	133.9
1962-63	66.5	29.2	50.4	43.7	59.8	10.6	10.8	26.5	17.9	17.2	10.4	34.5	377.5	159.3
1963-64	75.0	31.6	53.8	46.1	63.0	11.0	11.3	23.3	18.8	19.1	11.5	38.2	402.7	167.6
1964-65	82.3	34.5	58.5	48.2	67.9	11.9	11.7	24.5	21.1	21.3	12.5	42.6	437.0	165.7
Sept. Qr.														
1960	14.8	6.2	10.4	8.6	13.4	2.4	2.4	7.4	4.0	3.2	2.2	7.2	82.2	33.0
1961	16.2	6.8	11.1	8.8	14.2	2.4	2.4	6.9	3.9	3.7	2.2	7.6	86.2	30.4
1962	16.3	7.1	11.8	9.4	14.4	2.5	2.6	6.8	4.4	4.2	2.5	8.1	90.1	38.7
1963	18.2	7.7	12.6	10.0	14.9	2.6	2.6	5.7	4.4	4.5	2.7	8.8	94.7	42.1
1964	19.6	8.5	14.0	10.5	16.2	2.8	2.7	6.0	5.1	5.0	2.8	9.8	103.0	41.3
1965	22.3	8.9	14.7	11.9	17.5	3.0	2.8	6.6	5.4	5.6	3.0	11.0	112.7	43.4
Dec. Qr.														
1960	16.4	6.4	11.6	11.4	15.8	2.8	2.6	8.0	4.4	3.6	2.6	9.2	95.0	33.2
1961	17.6	6.8	12.2	11.5	16.0	2.8	2.7	8.0	4.4	4.2	2.9	9.4	98.5	33.6
1962	17.5	7.4	13.1	12.1	17.3	2.9	2.9	7.8	4.9	4.9	3.0	10.2	104.0	42.3
1963	19.7	8.0	14.1	13.0	17.6	3.0	3.4	6.5	5.1	5.4	3.2	11.4	110.4	45.1
1964	22.1	8.9	15.5	13.4	19.1	3.3	3.6	6.8	5.9	5.9	3.4	12.9	120.8	41.1
1965	24.3	9.3	16.1	15.9	19.8	3.3	3.8	7.7	5.7	6.6	3.8	13.8	130.1	43.1
March Qr.														
1961	15.2	6.4	12.2	11.6	11.3	2.0	2.2	6.8	3.2	3.4	2.4	7.0	83.7	27.5
1962	15.6	6.6	12.5	11.6	12.2	2.2	2.3	6.6	3.8	3.8	2.6	7.5	87.3	33.3
1963	15.9	7.1	13.1	12.0	12.3	2.2	2.6	6.1	4.1	3.9	2.5	8.1	89.9	38.5
1964	18.3	7.7	13.8	12.6	13.2	2.3	2.7	5.5	4.4	4.5	3.0	8.9	96.9	39.7
1965	19.7	8.3	14.6	12.8	14.0	2.5	2.7	5.8	4.8	5.0	3.3	9.8	103.3	40.4
June Qr.														
1961	15.6	6.7	10.8	9.0	14.4	2.6	2.2	7.4	3.4	3.6	2.2	7.3	85.2	28.4
1962	16.0	6.8	11.5	9.5	15.0	2.8	2.4	6.4	3.9	3.9	2.3	7.8	88.3	36.6
1963	16.8	7.6	12.4	10.2	15.8	3.0	2.7	5.8	4.5	4.2	2.4	8.1	93.5	39.8
1964	18.8	8.2	13.3	10.5	17.3	3.1	2.6	5.6	4.9	4.7	2.6	9.1	100.7	40.7
1965	20.9	8.8	14.4	11.5	18.6	3.3	2.7	5.9	5.3	5.4	3.0	10.1	109.9	42.9

(a) Excludes sales by licensed clubs. (b) Excludes Basic Building Materials, Builders' Hardware and Supplies, such as Tools of Trade, Paint, etc.

(c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Jewellery, Sporting Goods, etc. but excludes Grain and Produce, and Business Machines. (d) Excludes Tractors, Farm Machinery and Implements, Earthworking Equipment, etc.

OIL INDUSTRY SALES OF MAIN PETROLEUM FUELS
(Source: Department of National Development)

('000 gallons)

Period	Aviation Gasoline	Motor Spirit (a)	Aviation Turbine Fuel	Lighting Kerosene	Heating Oil	Power Kerosene	Automotive Distillate		Industrial Diesel Fuel		Furnace Fuel	
							Inland	Bunkers	Inland	Bunkers	Inland (b)	Bunkers
1960-61	3,050	92,591	3,679	5,689(c)	(d)	5,264	27,181	242	24,302	15,202	33,251	94,047
1961-62	3,092	99,283	4,122	5,641(c)	(d)	4,621	34,276	225	18,748	13,431	26,117	82,015
1962-63	3,070	107,977	5,918	5,823	272	4,270	39,512	365	17,058	9,775	31,475	73,788
1963-64	3,267	117,486	6,900	5,692	449	3,535	42,256	419	14,613	8,451	49,943	85,344
1964-65	3,020	127,198	9,203	5,765	694	3,259	49,842	671	15,988	8,712	61,238	83,634
1965 - February	225	10,348	827	319	41	193	3,834	122	1,230	806	4,123	7,157
March	238	11,188	854	359	50	279	4,345	31	1,164	795	5,344	7,332
April	229	10,927	824	390	58	340	4,847	68	1,782	661	4,950	7,069
May	263	10,836	877	576	74	476	6,364	99	1,536	802	5,265	7,439
June	262	11,151	858	679	94	408	6,507	82	1,413	699	5,919	6,762
July	257	10,195	873	751	102	180	4,013	140	1,302	435	6,219	5,515
August	392	13,672	864	776	103	211	4,908	38	1,382	530	5,431	4,784
September	358	10,696	913	547	91	161	4,124	39	1,241	607	5,918	8,876
October	315	9,750	950	389	73	238	4,704	19	1,185	716	5,119	8,652
November	328	11,591	883	378	74	258	5,075	62	1,399	681	5,879	8,046
December	362	12,092	913	311	61	238	4,853	126	1,343	1,260	6,132	8,781
1966 - January	277	11,054	995	297	43	165	4,025	55	891	1,119	4,013	6,491
February	293	11,511	970	325	62	196	4,781	44	1,156	634	5,579	6,451

(a) Includes super and standard grades. (b) Excludes refinery fuel. (c) Includes heating oil. (d) Not available separately - see note (c).

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - RETAIL BUSINESSES AND NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES
(\$ million)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)				Balances Outstanding at end of period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.	Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (b)	
HIRE PURCHASE					
1963-64	44.4	5.9	10.4	60.7	91.3
1964-65	42.3	7.6	9.7	59.6	92.0
Quarter -					
1964 - September	10.5	1.1	2.4	14.0	92.4
December	10.8	2.6	2.6	15.9	94.6
1965 - March	10.3	1.8	2.3	14.4	90.1
June	10.9	2.1	2.4	15.4	92.0
September	10.7	1.2	2.6	14.4	94.2
OTHER INSTALMENT CREDIT (c)					
1963-64	5.0	0.1	8.8	13.9	17.0
1964-65	5.1	0.1	8.7	14.0	15.7
Quarter -					
1964 - September	1.3	(d)	2.0	3.3	16.5
December	1.3	(d)	2.8	4.2	16.9
1965 - March	1.2	(d)	1.6	2.9	16.0
June	1.2	0.1	2.3	3.6	15.7
September	1.3	(d)	1.9	3.2	15.2
TOTAL INSTALMENT CREDIT					
1963-64	49.4	6.0	19.1	74.6	108.4
1964-65	47.4	7.7	18.4	73.6	107.7
Quarter -					
1964 - September	11.8	1.1	4.4	17.3	108.9
December	12.1	2.6	5.4	20.1	111.5
1965 - March	11.5	1.8	4.0	17.2	106.1
June	12.1	2.2	4.7	19.0	107.7
September	12.0	1.2	4.4	17.6	109.4

(a) See footnote (a) below. (b) See footnote (b) below. (c) Includes Time Payment, Budget Account, Personal Loan Schemes, etc. (d) Less than \$50,000.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - NON-RETAIL FINANCE BUSINESSES
(\$ million)

Period	Amount Financed during period (excluding Hiring Charges, Interest and Insurance)					Collections during period (including Hiring Charges, etc.)	Balances Outstanding at end of period (incl. Hiring Charges, etc.)
	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.		Plant and Machinery	Household and Personal Goods (a)	Total (b)		
	New	Used					
1963-64	22.2	23.2	5.8	4.4	55.6	58.2	78.0
1964-65	21.6	21.6	7.4	3.3	54.2	62.0	81.0
1965 - February	1.6	1.6	0.6	0.2	3.9	8.0	78.5
March	2.0	2.0	0.8	0.2	5.1	6.4	78.4
April	2.0	1.6	0.8	0.4	4.6	4.8	79.0
May	2.0	1.8	0.6	0.4	4.9	4.6	80.2
June	1.6	2.0	0.6	0.4	4.7	4.6	81.0
July	1.8	1.8	0.2	0.4	4.2	4.6	81.6
August	2.0	2.0	0.2	0.4	4.5	4.6	82.9
September	1.6	2.0	0.6	0.4	4.3	4.6	83.6
October	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	5.0(d)	(c)	84.8(d)
November	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	5.8(d)	(c)	86.7(d)
December	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	5.7(d)	(c)	88.1(d)
1966 - January	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	4.3(d)	(c)	87.4(d)
February	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	4.6(d)	(c)	83.4(d)

(a) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (b) Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to millions. (c) Not yet available. (d) Preliminary estimate.

FINANCE COMPANIES

The tables contain details of the lending operations of corporated Finance Companies, compiled from monthly returns collected from these companies. Information on the scope of these new statistics and the definitions of the items are contained in a supplement which is available on request, and are also included in the bulletin "Finance Companies", July, 1964 to October, 1965, which contains more detailed statistics. Details given for the item "Instalment Credit for Retail Sales" relate to a field of businesses which is different from that covered by the existing Instalment Credit for Retail Sales statistics provided by retail businesses and non-retail finance businesses (corporate and unincorporated).

Definitions of Items of Data

Amount Financed is the actual amount of cash provided. It excludes interest, insurance, hiring and other charges, and initial deposits.

Balances Outstanding represent the amounts owing on all finance agreements entered into prior to the end of the relevant period. The inclusion, in "Balances Outstanding", of unmatured charges, interest and insurance differs between types of finance agreements as well as between Finance Companies. As a result, separate details of balances outstanding are shown for those contracts where such charges are included and for those contracts where they are excluded.

Collections and Other Liquidations of Balances cover cash collections of capital repayments, hiring charges, interest and insurance and also other liquidations such as bad debts written off, rebates for early payouts and proceeds of repossessions. For reasons stated above, separate details of collections and other liquidations are given for contracts recorded including charges, etc., and contracts recorded excluding charges, etc.

Note - The outstanding balance for a particular period cannot be verified by the addition of the amount financed to the previous month's outstanding balance, less collections and other liquidations, for the period under review, owing to the amount financed being a "net figure", i.e. it excludes interest, insurance and hiring charges.

Amount Financed, according to Type of Agreement (£ million)

Period	Instalment Credit for Retail Sales	Wholesale Hire Purchase	Other Consumer and Commercial Loans			Factoring	Total (a)
			Personal Loans	Mortgage Loans	Commercial Loans		
1964-65	48.1	28.5	3.4	16.0	2.8	0.5	99.3
1964 -							
July	3.8	2.4	0.3	1.3	0.2	0.2	8.2
August	3.6	2.1	0.3	1.0	0.2	-	7.3
September	3.8	2.1	0.3	0.9	0.2	-	7.4
October	4.1	2.5	0.4	1.2	0.5	-	8.6
November	4.1	2.4	0.3	1.1	0.2	-	8.2
December	4.6	2.6	0.3	1.4	0.2	-	9.1
1965 -							
January	3.4	2.0	0.2	1.0	0.1	-	6.8
February	3.8	2.1	0.2	1.4	0.3	-	7.9
March	4.4	2.7	0.3	1.9	0.4	-	9.6
April	4.1	2.6	0.2	1.6	0.2	-	8.8
May	4.1	2.8	0.2	1.9	0.1	-	9.3
June	4.1	2.2	0.3	1.4	0.2	-	8.3
July	3.9	2.5	0.3	1.4	0.3	-	8.4
August	4.1	2.9	0.2	1.2	0.3	-	8.7
September	3.9	2.3	0.2	1.1	0.4	-	7.9
October	4.5	2.6	0.2	1.4	0.3	-	9.0
November	4.8	2.7	0.5	1.1	0.5	-	9.6
December	5.0	3.1	0.2	1.3	0.5	-	10.1
1966 -							
January	4.0	2.0	0.3	1.2	0.4	-	8.0
February	4.2	2.4	0.2	1.2	0.2	-	8.2

(a) Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to millions.

FINANCE COMPANIES

Collections and other Liquidations of Balances, according to Type of Agreement

(\$ million)

Period	Contracts with Unmatured Charges, Interest and Insurance written into Contracts at Time of Origin				Contracts with Unmatured Charges, etc. <u>not</u> written into Contracts at Time of Origin			
	Instalment Credit for Retail Sales	Other Con- sumer and Commercial Loans	Factor- ing	Total (a)	Wholesale Hire Purchase	Other Con- sumer and Commercial Loans	Factor- ing	Total (a)
1964-65	55.6	12.6	0.3	68.5	31.1	5.0	-	36.2
1964 -								
July	4.2	1.0	-	5.2	2.6	0.5	-	3.1
August	4.1	0.8	-	5.0	2.5	0.4	-	3.0
September	4.2	0.9	-	5.1	2.4	0.4	-	2.9
October	4.4	0.9	-	5.3	2.5	0.6	-	3.0
November	4.0	0.9	-	5.0	2.5	0.3	-	2.8
December	4.6	1.0	-	5.7	3.2	0.4	-	3.6
1965 -								
January	4.5	1.1	-	5.7	2.2	0.2	-	2.4
February	6.5	1.0	-	7.6	2.3	0.6	-	2.8
March	5.6	1.3	-	6.9	2.9	0.4	-	3.3
April	4.5	1.1	-	5.6	2.7	0.4	-	3.1
May	4.4	1.2	-	5.5	2.6	0.4	-	3.1
June	4.5	1.4	-	5.9	2.6	0.4	-	3.0
July	4.3	1.5	-	5.8	2.6	0.3	-	3.0
August	4.4	1.1	-	5.5	3.0	0.3	-	3.3
September	4.4	1.1	-	5.5	2.1	0.4	-	2.5
October	4.6	1.3	-	5.9	2.7	0.5	-	3.1
November	4.5	1.7	-	6.2	2.9	0.5	-	3.5
December	4.8	1.3	-	6.1	3.2	0.4	-	3.6
1966 -								
January	5.1	1.6	-	6.7	2.5	0.4	-	2.9
February	8.3	1.5	-	9.8	2.9	0.3	-	3.3

(a) Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to millions.

FINANCE COMPANIES

Balances Outstanding at End of Period, According to Type of Agreement

(3 million)

Period	Including Unmatured Charges, Interest and Insurance if written into Contracts at Time of Origin				Excluding Unmatured Charges (a), etc. if <u>not</u> written into Contracts at Time of Origin			
	Instalment Credit for Retail Sales	Other Consumer and Commercial Loans	Factor-ing	Total (b)	Wholesale Hire Purchase	Other Consumer and Commercial Loans	Factor-ing	Total (b)
1964-65	71.9	29.5	0.1	101.4	3.4	6.8	-	10.2
1964 -								
July	67.9	20.1	0.2	88.3	4.0	5.9	0.1	10.0
August	68.4	20.8	0.2	89.4	3.7	5.7	0.1	9.5
September	68.9	21.2	0.2	90.3	3.5	5.9	0.1	9.5
October	69.6	22.1	0.2	91.9	3.7	6.0	0.1	9.7
November	70.6	22.9	0.1	93.6	3.7	6.1	0.1	9.9
December	71.8	23.9	0.1	95.8	3.2	6.2	-	9.4
1965 -								
January	71.5	24.2	0.1	95.8	3.2	6.3	-	9.6
February	69.8	24.9	0.1	94.8	3.2	6.4	-	9.6
March	69.8	26.6	0.1	96.4	3.2	6.5	-	9.7
April	70.4	27.5	0.1	97.9	3.3	6.7	-	10.0
May	71.2	29.1	0.1	100.4	3.6	6.6	-	10.3
June	71.9	29.5	0.1	101.4	3.4	6.8	-	10.2
July	73.7	29.0	0.1	102.8	3.5	6.8	-	10.2
August	74.4	29.6	0.1	104.0	3.6	6.8	-	10.4
September	74.9	30.0	-	105.0	3.9	7.0	-	10.8
October	75.8	30.5	-	106.4	4.2	6.9	-	11.2
November	77.1	30.6	-	107.7	4.1	7.3	-	11.4
December	78.4	30.8	-	109.3	4.2	7.7	-	11.9
1966 -								
January	78.2	31.4	-	109.6	3.9	7.9	-	11.8
February	75.2	31.5	-	106.7	3.6	8.2	-	11.8

(a) Charges, etc., which are accrued and unpaid at the end of the period concerned are included. (b) Figures do not in all cases add to the totals shown owing to rounding to millions.

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